

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A cloth holding device including a support frame (11) made of magnetic material and a presser ~~frame (12);~~frame, clamping a workpiece cloth therebetween, the cloth holding device comprising:

an attachment unit ~~(13, 14)~~ provided on the presser frame ~~(12)~~ and ~~pressing that presses~~ the presser frame ~~(12)~~ against the support frame (11) by a magnetic attraction exerted between the support frame (11) and the presser ~~frame (12);~~frame; and

a positioning unit ~~(12e)~~ that positions the attachment unit ~~(13, 14)~~ to the presser ~~frame (12);~~frame;

~~characterized in that~~wherein the attachment unit ~~(13, 14)~~ is detachable from a presser frame ~~(12)~~ surface opposite a surface pressing the workpiece ~~cloth (W);~~cloth.

2. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to claim 1, wherein the positioning unit ~~is characterized in having~~includes an engagement hole ~~(12e)~~ defined ~~thereto~~ for an engagement ~~of~~ with the attachment ~~unit (13, 14) therewith.~~unit.

3. (Currently Amended) A cloth holding device including a support frame ~~(31, 51)~~ made of magnetic material and a presser ~~frame (32, 52);~~frame, clamping a workpiece cloth therebetween, the cloth holding device comprising:

an attachment unit ~~(33, 34, 53, 54)~~ provided in the presser frame ~~(32, 52)~~ and movable between an attached position proximate the support frame ~~(31, 51)~~ and a detached position spaced from the support ~~frame (31, 51);~~frame; and

a switch unit ~~(33, 35)~~ that switches the attachment unit ~~(33, 34, 53 and 54)~~ between the attached position and the detached ~~position;~~position, wherein

~~characterized in that~~ the attachment unit (~~33, 34, 53 and 54~~) when in the attached position presses the presser frame (~~32, 52~~) against the support frame (~~31, 51~~) by a magnetic attraction exerted between the support frame (~~31, 51~~) and the presser ~~frame~~ (~~32, 52~~).frame,

the attachment unit further comprises:

a plurality of magnets, and

a plurality of magnet holding members that hold the plurality of magnets, and

the presser frame is pressed against the support frame by the magnet holding members when the magnets are attached to the support frame.

4. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to claim 3,
~~characterized in that~~wherein

the support frame has~~includes~~ a support surface supporting the workpiece cloth (~~W~~)and cloth,

the switch unit (~~35~~) has~~includes~~ a guide portion (~~32e~~) provided in the presser frame and movably guiding the attachment unit in a direction perpendicular to the support ~~surface and~~surface, and

an operating portion (~~34b~~) provided in the attachment unit~~switching switches~~ the attachment unit between the attached position and the detached position by a pushing/pulling operation.

5. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to claim 3,
~~characterized in that~~wherein

the switch unit (~~55~~) further comprises a lever member (~~61~~)~~having~~including:

a lengthwise mid-portion~~thereof~~ supported rotatably by the presser frame and having one end connected to the attachment unit, and

_____ a pair of operating portions (~~61a, 61b~~) provided on both ends of the lever member (~~61~~), member, and

_____ a pressing operation of ~~which the switch unit~~ effects rotation of the lever member (~~61~~) to switch the attachment unit between the attached position and the detached position.

6. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

_____ the attachment unit (~~13, 14, 23, 24, 33, 34, 43, 44, 53, 54~~) further comprises a plurality of magnets (~~13, 23, 33, 43, 53~~) and a plurality of magnet holding members (~~14, 24, 34, 44, 54~~) that hold the plurality of ~~magnets (~~13, 23, 33, 43, 53~~)~~, magnets, and

_____ ~~wherein~~ the presser frame is pressed against the support frame by the magnet holding members (~~14, 24, 34, 44, 54~~) when the magnets (~~13, 23, 33, 43, 53~~) are attached to the support frame.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein at least ~~either of confronting portions~~ a confronting portion of ~~either~~ the support frame (~~71, 73, 75~~) or the presser frame (~~70, 72, 74~~) is provided with anti-slip ~~portions (~~71a, 72a, 74a, 75a~~)~~, portions.

9. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to ~~claim 3~~ claim 3, wherein at least ~~either of confronting portions~~ a confronting portion of ~~either~~ the support frame (~~71, 73, 75~~) or the presser frame (~~70, 72, 74~~) is provided with anti-slip ~~portions (~~71a, 72a, 74a, 75a~~)~~, portions.

10. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the magnet holding member is made of a magnetic material.

11. (Currently Amended) The cloth holding device according to ~~claim 7~~
~~characterized in that~~claim 3, wherein the magnet holding member is made of a magnetic material.

12. (Currently Amended) A cloth holding device including a plate-form or a frame-form support member ~~(21)~~-made of magnetic material and a presser ~~frame (22);~~frame, clamping a workpiece cloth ~~(W)~~-therebetween, the cloth holding device comprising:

an attachment unit ~~(23, 34)~~-provided on the support member ~~(21)~~-and ~~pressing that presses~~ the presser frame ~~(22)~~-against the support member ~~(21)~~-by a magnetic attraction exerted between the support member ~~(21)~~-and the presser ~~frame (22);~~frame; and

a positioning unit ~~(21e)~~-that positions the attachment unit ~~(23, 24)~~-to the support member ~~(21)~~member;

~~characterized in that~~wherein the attachment unit ~~(23, 24)~~-is detachable from a support member ~~(21)~~-surface opposite a surface pressing the workpiece ~~cloth (W);~~cloth.

13. (Currently Amended) A cloth holding device including a plate-form or a frame-form support member ~~(41)~~-made of magnetic material and a presser ~~frame (42);~~frame, clamping a workpiece cloth ~~(W)~~-therebetween, the cloth holding device comprising:

an attachment unit ~~(43, 44)~~-provided in the support member ~~(41)~~-and movable between an attached position proximate the presser frame ~~(42)~~-and a detached position spaced from the support ~~frame (41);~~frame; and

a switch unit ~~(45)~~-that switches a position of the attachment unit ~~(43, 44)~~ between the attached position and the detached ~~position;~~position, wherein

~~characterized in that~~ the attachment unit ~~(43, 44)~~-when in the attached position presses the support member ~~(41)~~-against the presser frame ~~(42)~~-by a magnetic attraction exerted between the support member ~~(41)~~-and the presser ~~frame (42);~~frame,

the attachment unit further comprises:

_____ a plurality of magnets, and

_____ a plurality of magnet holding members that hold the plurality of
magnets, and

_____ the presser frame is pressed against the support frame by the magnet holding
members when the magnets are attached to the support frame.